

BEARS IN CONTROL WHEN THE MARKETS CLOSED.

WHEAT MADE ENCOURAGING
START, BUT WEAKENED.

Corn Showed Weakness From Start
to Finish, and Closed at or
Near the Bottom.

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Tuesday, May 15, 1900.

The speculative strength so conspicuous a feature yesterday was lacking when business in the local grain pit opened up this morning, there being a well-defined undertone of weakness, particularly marked in corn, instead of strength. Wheat did make a very good effort to regain its early loss and succeeded for a time in assuming an air of bullishness, but it did not last long, and before the close of the day the early gains were wiped out and the close was somewhat lower. There was very little stir to the grain markets at any time, and outside of the above mentioned strength in the higher-priced cereals, there was but little that was of interest developed throughout the day. Traders showed a decided inclination to hold off and await more definite developments, while few were seen in coming in and the market was changed considerably in consequence. Pit operations were slow and of an intermittent character, and also of exceedingly small proportions, the actual volume of transactions during the day being extremely light. If the trend must be told.

Unlike yesterday, the factors having most influence upon wheat values this morning were bearish, therefore the market here, instead of opening higher as many today expected, started off with a decline. There was a good sharp recovery, however, and probably the best part of the market's interest to the farmer came in the ranks of the bulls, but shortly before the close there was another decline, and the day closed with a loss of 10 cents per bushel.

At 10:30 a. m. the market had all operations except the last off Sept., which was slightly better. Cables responded in a most indecisive manner, and the market was and grievously disappointed the friends of the cereal, the best that London and Liverpool seemed able to do being to hold the market rather flat, while mixed signals from New York and Chicago were not of much help.

At 11:30 a. m. the market was still remaining neutral, and to quotation at 14.40 cents.

Prices on Change.

The following tables show the range of prices in future and cash contracts.

Wheat—May 24, 24.50; June 25, 25.50; July 26, 26.50; Aug. 27, 27.50; Sept. 28, 28.50; Oct. 29, 29.50; Nov. 30, 30.50; Dec. 31, 31.50; Jan. 1, 32.50; Feb. 1, 33.50; Mar. 1, 34.50; Apr. 1, 35.50; May 1, 36.50; June 1, 37.50; July 1, 38.50; Aug. 1, 39.50; Sept. 1, 40.50; Oct. 1, 41.50; Nov. 1, 42.50; Dec. 1, 43.50; Jan. 1, 44.50; Feb. 1, 45.50; Mar. 1, 46.50; Apr. 1, 47.50; May 1, 48.50; June 1, 49.50; July 1, 50.50; Aug. 1, 51.50; Sept. 1, 52.50; Oct. 1, 53.50; Nov. 1, 54.50; Dec. 1, 55.50; Jan. 1, 56.50; Feb. 1, 57.50; Mar. 1, 58.50; Apr. 1, 59.50; May 1, 60.50; June 1, 61.50; July 1, 62.50; Aug. 1, 63.50; Sept. 1, 64.50; Oct. 1, 65.50; Nov. 1, 66.50; Dec. 1, 67.50; Jan. 1, 68.50; Feb. 1, 69.50; Mar. 1, 70.50; Apr. 1, 71.50; May 1, 72.50; June 1, 73.50; July 1, 74.50; Aug. 1, 75.50; Sept. 1, 76.50; Oct. 1, 77.50; Nov. 1, 78.50; Dec. 1, 79.50; Jan. 1, 80.50; Feb. 1, 81.50; Mar. 1, 82.50; Apr. 1, 83.50; May 1, 84.50; June 1, 85.50; July 1, 86.50; Aug. 1, 87.50; Sept. 1, 88.50; Oct. 1, 89.50; 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